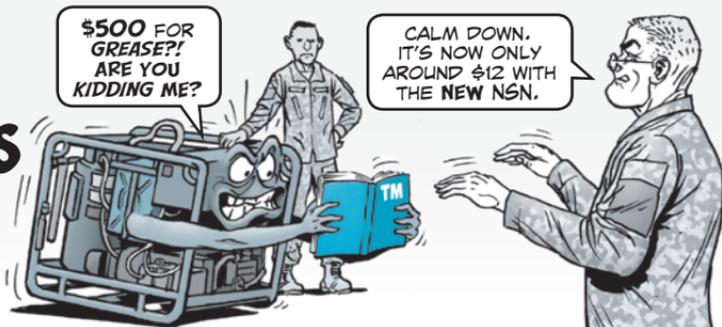


M26 Decon...

LUBE ANSWERS RIGHT HERE



Dear Half-Mast,

TM 3-4230-238-10 (July 09) lists NSN 9150-12-374-7676 as the grease for the M26 decon. But when you check out that NSN on FED LOG it lists the price as \$500. Isn't there anything cheaper? Also the TM shows the oil for the water pump as PN AOA-114-3440, but that doesn't cross to an NSN. Does it have an NSN?

MSG R.C.

Dear Master Sergeant,

We have very good news. The 2013 revision to the TM changed the grease to NSN 9150-01-563-3416. That grease costs around \$12.

The correct part number for the oil for the water pump is A01-114-3440. That crosses to NSN 1040-01-612-3498 on FED LOG. Make a note until the TM is updated.

Half-Mast

Protective
Masks...

M42A2 Must Stay M42A2

Dear Editor,

Here at JBLM, we've run into several cases of Soldiers trying to convert their M42A2 masks into M40A1s, mostly for comfort and convenience. That is a no-go.

The M42A2 has a different carrier, microphone, hose assembly and canister carrier than the M40A1. Soldiers are issued an M42A2 because they are supposed to be wearing an M42A2. And the M42A2's TM 3-4240-346-10 (Aug 10) makes it clear that all the parts peculiar to the M42A2 must be installed at all times. If they're left in the carrier, they'll soon disappear.

Please tell your readers M42A2s need to stay M42A2s.

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*Editor's note:
Consider it done.*